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FM AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 3340

INFO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

AMEMBASSY MANILA

UNCLAS CANBERRA 3474

FOR ROBIN WHITE, EA/EP

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BEXP, OTRA

SUBJ: TRAVEL OF FSO CHARLES W. BASS

REF: WHITE-CARLE TELCON JUNE 7

1. EMBASSY HAS JUST TALKED WITH BASS BY TELEPHONE. HE AGREES IT UNLIKELY HE WILL BE RELEASED IN TIME TO MAKE EITHER JAKARTA OR SINGAPORE STOPS. SUGGESTS DECISION ON MANILA BE DEFERRED PENDING FURTHER CLARIFICATION HIS CONDITION. WE THEREFORE SUGGEST NOONAN PROCEED WITH HIS PLANS TO TRAVEL AT LEAST TO JAKARTA AND SINGAPORE. WE WILL MEANWHILE KEEP DEPARTMENT AND POSTS CONCERNED INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS HERE.

2. BASS HAS EXPRESSED SOME CONCERN THAT HIS WIFE BE REASSURED WITH REGARD TO HIS ILLNESS. ALTHOUGH ATTENDING PHYSICIAN HAS STILL NOT OFFERED A DEFINITE DIAGNOSIS, BASS WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT INFORMING HIS WIFE THAT ILLNESS APPEARS TO BE FLU VIRUS OR SIMILAR INDISPOSITION. ALTHOUGH OBVIOUSLY NOT YET COMPLETELY RECOVERED, HE FELT BETTER FRIDAY MORNING (AUSTRALIAN TIME) AND WISHED BE SURE HIS WIFE NOT UNDULY ALARMED.

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3. EMBASSY IS, OF COURSE, IN TOUCH WITH HIM
REGULARLY BOTH BY TELEPHONE AND IN PERSON,
MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO BE SURE HE IS COMFORTABLE
AND HIS NEEDS ADEQUATELY MET.

4. ASSUME DEPARTMENT WILL INFO CANBERRA ON NOONAN
TRAVEL PLANS.
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